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**For: SYSTEM FOR REPRODUCING AND MODULATING TURNOVER OF RNA
MOLECULES**

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 12, 13, 16, 22, and 34 without prejudice.

Please add new claim 56 as follows:

56. (new) The method of claim 51 wherein the endogenous molecule capable of modulating regulation is isolated.

Please amend claims 1, 4-6, 9-10, 14-15, 17, 21, 23, 25-29, 31, 33, 35-42, 44, 46-48, 51, 53, and 55 as follows:

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